Centre for Development of Telecommunications

86. DR. SHRIKANT RAMACHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to

(a) what are the areas in which the Centre for Development of Telecommunications is working;

(b) what are the reasons that the cen. there is not being able to do anything in the area of cellular telephones, and other such developments which have revolutionised the telecommunication system round the world; and

(c) whether Government are planning to close down the Centre in view of its failure to achieve its objective?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM); (a) C-DOT is working in the areas of Switching and Transmission system.

(b) The selection of projects and products for design and development by the C-DOT is done in consultation with Deptt, of Telecommunications. Cellular telephones are not on priority development of C-DOT.

(c) No, Sir.

दिल्ली में महानगर टेलीफोन निगम लिमिटेड की कार्य कुशलता

87. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह :** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि महानगर टेलीफोन निगम लिमिटेड के गठन के पश्चात् दिल्ली के टेलीफोनों की कार्य कुशलता अन्य महानगरों के टेलीफोनों के समान नहीं है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं, और इस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम) : (क) दिल्ली के टेलीफोनों की कार्य कुशलता निष्पादन-पैरामीटरों और किए गए विस्तार के सम्बन्ध में अन्य महानगरों के समान हैं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Post and Telegraph Offices in the Districts of Gujarat

88. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHAN* KER DAVE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target fixed for setting up of Posts and Telegraph Offices in Kachh, Junagarh, Amreli and Sureo-dra Nagar Districts of Gujarat during the year 1991-92;

(b) if *so,* whether the targets fixed have been achieved so far;

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) what is the number of Posts and Telegraph Offices set up during the years 1992-93 and what is the number which. is proposed to be set up in the year 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) (a) to (c)

Post Offices:

A target for opening of 36 extra departmental Branch Post Offices was fixed for Rajkot Region as a whole during the year 1991-92. The districtwise target was not fixed during 1991-92. Proposals received from Amreli, Kachh. Junagarh and Surender Nagar Districts of Gujarat were not found justified as per departmental norms, (a) Telegraph Offices:

Target for setting up of telegraph offices in Kachh, Junagarh, Amreli and Surendra Nagar Districts of Gujarat was not Fixed district-wise during 1991-92.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

(d) Post Offices:

A total number of 4 extra departmental branch post offices and 1 departmental sub post office were opened